

2013 Value Added/Regional Food System Grant Proposal Evaluation Sheet

Name of Community: _____

MDARD Project Number: _____ Amount of Grant Request: _____

Name of Reviewer: _____

PROPOSAL GRADING CRITERIA

Please rate the following areas using the following 5 point scale: Low: 1-2 Average: 3-4 High: 5

1. Project Purpose	Maximum Points Possible	Points Received
How well does the applicant define the need for and the purpose of the project?	10	
Rate the level of the project's timeliness and importance.	5	
2. Potential Impact		
How effective will the project be at enhancing the utilization of Michigan grown products?	10	
Rate the positive impact this project will have for the food and agribusiness sector in their community/region.	5	
Assess the ability of the project to have an impact within the next five years.	5	
3. Expected Measurable Outcomes		
Do the measurable outcomes support the project's purpose? Are the outcomes meaningful and realistic?	10	
How effective is the method of evaluation of the project?	5	
4. Work Plan		
How well do the activities relate to the objectives and goals?	5	
How well do the activities match the needs or problems that are being addressed?	5	
5. Budget		
Rate the reasonableness of the requested budget and individual line items.	10	
Rate the expected benefits commensurate with the total investment.	5	
Is there at least a 10% cash match?	5	
6. Sustainability		
Rate the level of lasting benefits after the end of the project.	10	
Is the project sustainable after the grant dollars?	5	
7. Additional Information		
Rate the level of support this project demonstrates; is the community actively involved or have they pledged their support of the project's goals?	5	

SUB-TOTAL	100	
BONUS: Does the project create or retain jobs or create additional community investment?	5	
TOTAL	Possible 105	

STRENGTHS / WEAKNESSES

What are some of the strengths and/or weaknesses of this proposal?

COMMENTS

Please provide any additional comments, questions, or concerns you have regarding this project.
